

Resolution Number 12-27-12-01

INDIGENT BURIAL POLICY FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF RANDOLPH, OHIO

It was moved by Roger Klodt, seconded by Michael T. Lang, that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, Section 9.15 of the Ohio Revised Code provides that if a person who is a legal resident of a township dies, and the decedent was not an inmate of a correctional institution, or a benevolent institution, or a charitable institution, and if no person claims the body for burial at the claimant's own expense, then the township in which the decedent resided, shall cause the body to be cremated at the expense of that township; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Randolph Township Board of Trustees upon review of the facts the decedent, hereby determines that the decedent was a resident of Randolph Township, and that no person has claimed the body for burial purposes, and that there is a reasonable belief that the decedent is indigent; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Randolph Township Board of Trustees consent to services which shall be performed by the funeral home which can assist the township as soon as reasonably possible; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Randolph Township Indigent Burial Program is not supplemental. Funeral home personnel shall not ask for or accept any funds above the amounts set forth herein:

- The amount of \$1,000.00 for the cremation of an adult;
- The amount of \$450.00 for the cremation of a child (1 – 18 years);
- The amount of \$150.00 for the cremation a baby (fetus to one year).

This includes transportation of the deceased to Randolph Hillside Cemetery or any unanticipated fees or charges; and be it further

RESOLVED, the deceased must be buried at Hillside Cemetery in Randolph, Ohio, and be it further

RESOLVED, in accordance with ORC 9.15 the Township shall provide, at the grave of the person's cremated remains, a stone or concrete marker on which the person's name and age, if know, shall be inscribed.

RESOLVED, upon completion of the funeral, the funeral home shall submit an itemized bill to the Township containing the following information:

- A. Name of Deceased
- B. Age of Deceased
- C. Place of burial
- D. Services provided
- E. Total cost of the cremation (instead of funeral)
- F. Amount received from other sources
- G. Amount due from the Township

Said itemized bill shall not be submitted until thirty (30) days after the services are provided; and be it further

RESOLVED, the funeral home and the Township shall make every effort to locate funds from other sources. The Township may also file an estate lien with the Probate Court if it feels funds may be available. If funds are located, the Township is paid back. Any monies reimbursed to the Township will go to the General Fund; and be it further

RESOLVED, this policy is contingent upon the current Ohio Revised Code which enforces townships to pay expenses for indigent burial; if the Ohio Revised Code is modified and no longer requires townships to pay this policy will be reviewed by the Township Trustees; and be further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Randolph Township Trustees finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board that resulted in those formal actions were in meeting open to the public in compliance with the law including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Role call vote was as follow:

Michael T. Lang – Yes

Susan White – Yes

Roger Klodt – yes

I, Fiscal Officer of Randolph Township, do certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution of the Randolph Township Trustees duly adopted December 27, 2012.

Mary A. Rodenbucher, Fiscal Officer